

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A method for detecting a model vehicle, comprising:  
providing a plurality of position detection elements arranged in an area where said model vehicle will pass;  
placing said position detection elements anywhere on a race surface, without the need to ~~connect to~~ be associated with any track or roadway, said position detector elements being along a defined race course;  
providing a position detection element ID for each of said position detection elements;  
providing a vehicle ID for said model vehicle;  
transmitting between said model vehicle and said position detection element one of said IDs; and  
transmitting said vehicle ID and said position detection element ID to a vehicle controller.
2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said position detection elements are sensors which receive a vehicle ID transmitted by said model vehicle.
3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said model vehicle detects a position element ID and transmits the position detection element ID along with the vehicle ID to said vehicle controller.
4. (withdrawn) A receiver for detecting a proximate model vehicle, comprising:  
at least two detectors;  
a memory for storing an ID of said receiver;

a transmitter for transmitting said ID of said receiver and data received from a passing model vehicle to a remote controller;

a substrate for holding said detectors, memory and transmitter, said substrate allowing said receiver to be placed anywhere on a race surface, without the need to connect to any track or roadway.

5. (withdrawn) The receiver of claim 4 where said detectors are infrared detectors.

6. (withdrawn) The receiver of claim 4 wherein said transmitter is a wireless transmitter.